

Application No. 10/002,620

Reply to Office Action

*REMARKS*

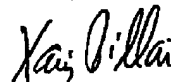
The title has been amended to more accurately reflect the subject matter of the allowed claims. The paragraphs beginning at page 3, line 9, page 6, line 10, and page 9, line 11 have been amended to remove a minor inconsistency. According to the specification, because the weight of 150mL of 2 weight percent aqueous solution of citric acid is 153g ((Citric Acid  $(2/100 \times 150)\text{g}$  + water 150g = 153g, Density of water is  $1\text{g/cm}^3$ )), the value of the equation is correctly 0.013 ((2g (weight of sparingly water-soluble phosphatic fertilizer) / 153g (weight of 2 weight percent aqueous solution of citric acid) = 0.013)). No new matter has been added.

Claims 4-13 and 20-34 have been canceled without prejudice to expedite the prosecution of this application. Remaining claims 14-19 have been allowed.

*Conclusion*

As Applicants believe the application is in proper condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the application to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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